



Lower Duwamish Waterway Source Control Investigation

Early Action Area 3. Slip 4

Slip 4 is located approximately 3 miles upstream from Harbor Island, just north of Boeing Plant 2. The slip encompasses 5.7 acres and is approximately 1,400 feet long with an average width of 200 feet. The northwest side of the slip is mostly covered with docks and a berthing area.

Sediments in Slip 4 have accumulated chemical contaminants from numerous sources. These sources are both historical and potentially ongoing. Chemicals entered the slip in different ways, such as through direct discharges, inadvertent spills, bank erosion, groundwater discharge, surface water runoff, or other non-point discharges.

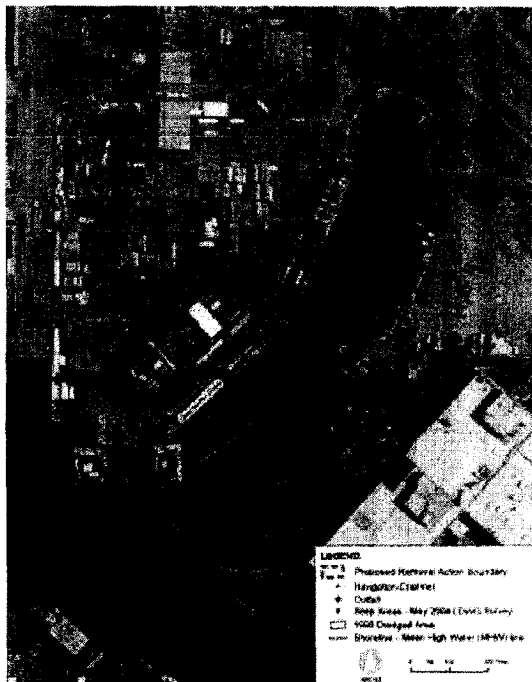
In the inner portion of the slip, PCB concentrations have been greater than state standards since at least 1990. Phthalate and metals contamination is also present. Under EPA and Ecology oversight, the City of Seattle and King County are investigating the sediment contamination at Slip 4 and preparing for a cleanup that will take place in 2006 or 2007.

Updated material here? Source Control Action Plan in Development

Ecology is currently working with other agencies to develop the Source Control Action Plan for Slip 4. This is expected to be available January 2006.

Web sites related to Slip 4:

EPA Web address: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/CLEANUP.NSF/ldw/slip+4>



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